

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An ink jet recording element comprising an opaque support having thereon an image-receiving layer comprising porous polymeric particles in a polymeric binder, said polymeric binder comprising poly(vinyl alcohol) having a degree of hydrolysis of at least 98% and having a number average molecular weight of ~~60,000 to 100,000~~ 65,000 to 105,000.

2. (Original) The element of Claim 1 wherein said porous polymeric particles have a median diameter of less than about 10 μm .

3. (Original) The element of Claim 1 wherein said porous polymeric particles have a median diameter of less than about 1 μm .

4. (Original) The element of Claim 1 wherein said porous polymeric particles are crosslinked and have a degree of crosslinking of about 27 mole % or greater.

5. (Original) The element of Claim 1 wherein said porous polymeric particles are made from a styrenic or an acrylic monomer.

6. (Original) The element of Claim 5 wherein said acrylic monomer comprises methyl methacrylate or ethylene glycol dimethacrylate.

7. Canceled.

8. (Currently amended) The element of Claim 1 wherein said opaque support is paper or a voided plastic material.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously Amended) The element of Claim 1 wherein said porous polymeric particles have a surface area of at least $35 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$.

11. (Previously Amended) The element of Claim 1 wherein said porous polymeric particles have a surface area of at least $100 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$.

12. (Original) The element of Claim 1 wherein said image-receiving layer contains from about 0.20 to about 10.0 g/m^2 of said poly(vinyl alcohol) binder and from about 1.5 to about 60 g/m^2 of said porous polymeric particles.

13. (Original) The element of Claim 1 wherein said image-receiving layer contains from about 0.40 to about 5.0 g/m^2 of said poly(vinyl alcohol) binder and from about 3.0 to about 30 g/m^2 of said porous polymeric particles.

14. (Currently amended) The element of Claim 1 wherein said poly(vinyl alcohol) has a number average molecular weight from about $70,000$ to about ~~$105,000$~~ $100,000$.

15. (New) An ink jet recording element comprising a support having thereon an image-receiving layer comprising porous polymeric particles in a polymeric binder, said polymeric binder comprising poly(vinyl alcohol) having a degree of hydrolysis of at least 98% and having a number average molecular weight of $70,000$ to $105,000$.